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**GFCI Receptacles in Commercial Kitchens**

**Code:** 2005 Electrical Code

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**Section:** 210.8(B)(3)

**Question:**

Are ground fault circuit interrupters (GFCI) required for protection of receptacles in commercial kitchens? If so, are there any exceptions?

**Answer:**

Yes, GFCI protection is required in kitchens that are in “other than dwellings” for all 125 volt, 15 and 20 ampere receptacles.

There are no exceptions to this requirement.